

## ABSTRACT

The present invention discloses apparatus and methods that can be used to sever a control line. One embodiment of the invention is a shear sub comprising a first member and a second member that are releasably attached to each other. The first and second members define a control line passageway. The control line passageway comprises a pair of shearing blades that are adapted to shear a control line during release of the first member from the second member.